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Re: Friends of Jim McDermott
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Thank you for your time on the telephone this morning. We are in receipt of your letters Dated May 30 and June 1, 2001 regarding various questions raised in your review of our campaign reports. This letter is intended to respond to all of your questions. Also enclosed with this letter are amended reports for each reporting period in 2000.

Reference: 12 Day Pre-Primary Report (7/1/00-8/30/00):

Regarding the redesignation of the contribution from Patricia Stell. The date of the redesignation was November 5, 2001. Upon review of the redesignation, it appears that it was reported properly. There are two memo entries on 11/5. The first shows the reduction in the amount for the primary election, the second shows the amount attributed to the General election. Due to a software limitation, I have not been able to add an additional memo line to show the original contribution, but have added a notation to the 11/5 redesignation that it was for the original contribution on 8/24. I hope that this is acceptable until I can address the software issues.

Also, Future reports (and the current amendments enclosed) will show contributions to other committees on line 21. We apologize for any inconvenience that this matter may have caused.

Reference: October Quarterly Report (8/31/00-9/30/00):

Regarding contributions designated to the primary election after the date of the primary, please refer to the attached amendments. We reviewed each contribution and discovered that several contributions were entered into the database on the date that they were deposited into the bank, instead of the date that they were postmarked or received by the Committee. We have made the necessary changes and they are now reported correctly.